

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed July 28, 2004, applicant(s) elect(s) Claims 1, 2, 6, and 7 of Group I, without traverse. Please CANCEL the non-elected claims 3-5, without prejudice.

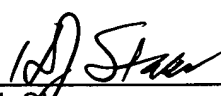
If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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